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FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT**

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**MEMORANDUM TO COUNSEL OR PARTIES**

Appeal Number: 24-12444-GG

Case Style: State of Alabama, et al v. U.S. Secretary of Education, et al

District Court Docket No: 7:24-cv-00533-ACA

**BRIEFING NOTICE**

Briefing and Appendix Deadlines

Pursuant to 11th Cir. R. 31-1(a), the appellants' briefs are due **September 9, 2024**. The appendix is due 7 days after the appellant's brief is filed. An incarcerated pro se party is not required to file an appendix.

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